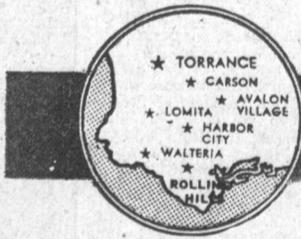


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OATH OF OFFICE—Three new members of the Torrance Unified School District board were sworn into office Monday night and immediately began implementing campaign promises of economy without curtailing education. Above, Bert J. Lynn, Albert Charles and William Hanson receive the oath of office from William Boswell, outgoing board president. Below, Hanson, elected as new president, receives gavel of office from Boswell.

School Board Assumes Office

Hanson, Lynn, Charles Pledge Cost Cutbacks

Three new members of the Torrance board of education stepped into office Monday night and, like a good new broom, began to "sweep clean."

Following the swearing into office of Bert J. Lynn, William Hanson and Albert Charles, and the immediate election of Hanson as board president, the new board made its position and Charles as vice president, known.

Noting that their basic platforms during the recent campaign for office involved economies within the structure of the district, they called for an immediate paring of costs in the "non-essential" areas of education.

ADVISORY GROUP

Most effective action of the evening was to reconvene the supposedly defunct Advisory Committee, whose controversial report on school district economies had been an important factor in the school board campaign.

Former school board, faced with a tax override election and visibly impressed by the growing opposition, appointed a five-man committee to study the annual budget and submit a report for publication.

Report, when completed, found that there was, indeed, a great deal of "water" in the budget as the opposition to the override had charged. Report was effectively buried until it was too late to be a deciding factor in the election.

Committee, which is composed of James Cassidy of the Carnation Co.; Nelson Rucker, Union Carbide; Leonard Ensminger, administrator at Torrance Memorial Hospital; Robert Triplett, Hughes Aircraft; and Arne Tonneson, National Supply, will recommend changes in financial policy within the district in areas they investigated during their study.

COST CUTTING

Following the naming of the Advisory Committee, new board members pointed out

areas of change, including a cutback in telephone costs. (Last year's bill was a reputed \$73,000), subscription to periodicals, (over \$7000 last year), and general economies within the district which could save up to \$800,000 per year.

Bert Lynn moved a change in meeting dates from Tuesday to Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. He noted that city council and school board meetings had been scheduled on the same evenings and that attendance at board meetings was quite limited as a result. Motion was passed unanimously and brought a round of applause from the overflow audience.

GRADING SYSTEM

Two changes were suggested by William Boswell, last year's board president. These included a change in reporting in grades kindergarten through eighth with a "letter" grading system rather than the subjective description system now used. A realistic and standardized system would be fairer for the student and for the teacher, he said. He also advocated the start of "team-teaching" at the seventh and eighth grade levels as a preliminary to high school.

Lynn, in addition to introducing the motion that the Advisory Committee be reconvened, suggested that it become standard practice in all schools that the National Anthem be sung and that the students raise the flag. He also moved that the present school board seating arrangements be changed so that the board could face the audience instead of sitting with their backs toward them.

TORRANCE SENIORS ...

Graduating HS Students Win \$125,000 in Grants

Eighty-five students from Torrance's three high schools won more than \$125,000 worth of scholarships and other awards this spring according to a compilation by Torrance school officials.

Seniors from North, South, and Torrance high schools won awards in many different categories, with honors presented by firms, universities, lodges, and various other groups. Fifty students were picked for life membership in the California Scholarship Federation while 16 were granted honors at entrance at universities.

Top scholarship winners included John Orr, Torrance High, who was appointed to the U.S. Military Academy, while Jack Hewitt, South, was selected for the U.S. Air Force Academy, thus passing up a University of Pennsylvania grant.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Winners of scholarships to major schools included:

California Institute of Technology—Jay Lippman (N).

California Western University—Richard Fisher and Anthony Mauar (both T).

Chapman College—Pat Roseberry (S).

Newberry School of Beauty—Linda Kirkpatrick (N) and Betty Walton (S).

Pepperdine College—Mary McCutley (N), Robert Bee

(N).

Rodlands University—Paula Blankinship (T).

University of California—Douglas Brown (S).

U.C.L.A.—Kimiye Takeuchi (T), Jay Lippman (N).

U.S.C.—Warren Cross (S), Clifford Mosher (S), Betty Jo Reading (N), Robert Weister (T).

Washington University, St. Louis—Rick Becker (S).

Whittier College—Robert Weister (T).

California Scholarship Commission grants were offered to John Orland, Jon Lehr (both T), Patricia Bryden, Jay Lippman, Sam Pierce, and Kendall Spooner (all N), Eric Bochove, Donald Hickman, Donald Mickey, Warren Cross, John Downing, and Judy Tate (all S).

Phil Shaw (S) received a North American management Club grant, while John Downing (S) got the Pacific Smelting Co. scholarship. Winners of the National Supply Management Club Essay Contest were Jay Lippman and Sandra Capello (Both N).

Torrance Girl Hurt in Hit-Run Accident

Held in Los Angeles County General Hospital's jail ward on charges of felony hit-run driving after an accident Sunday is Edward H. Drumheller, Wilmington.

The 48-year-old man, who lives at 817 Farragut St., was booked by the Highway Patrol. He was accused of leaving his car and fleeing on foot from an accident at Cayuga Ave. and 259th St., in which three persons were injured.

The automobile driven by Drumheller was in a collision with a car driven by Thomas W. Hill, 21, of 1814 Schilling

Dr., Torrance.

Miss Barbara Huggins, 17, also of 1814 Schilling Dr., Torrance, suffered severe head injuries and loss of blood. She was in Hill's auto.

Drumheller, reportedly in good condition at General Hospital, suffered a fractured left pelvis.

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\$10,000 BID ...

Torrance Boy Signs LA Angels Contract

Dave Marsden of Torrance, star athlete at North High and later at El Camino College, has been signed by the Los Angeles Angels to a 1962 contract for a reputed \$10,000.

According to information received this week, Marsden will play with the Angels' Statesville (NC) club in the Class D Western Carolina League.

A catcher, Marsden is 18 years old, 6'0" and weighs in at 185 pounds. He bats and throws righthanded.

NHS GRAD

The youngster, who will report for practice next spring, was graduated from North High in June, 1960. He was All-Bay League and All-CIP catcher in 1960 and was voted Most Valuable Player of his high school team in 1959 and 1960.

Marsden played several positions, including catching, on this year's Warrior nine. At El Camino this year he batted .335 in 35 games with four homeruns.

He was signed to the contract by Head Area Scout Rosey Gilhousen.

DEAD ON ARRIVAL ...

Boy Dies in Mercy Flight To Torrance Air Terminal

The Torrance police department was confronted with something of a dilemma Monday afternoon following the death of an unidentified youth on an ambulance flight into Torrance airport.

Unable to determine the identity of the dead boy, local police met the plane but couldn't determine where he should be taken or who to notify.

The youth subsequently was identified as Thomas Scott Gillespie, 16, of 1386 Casiano Road in Los Angeles. On vacation in the Black Mountains near Virginia Lake in Mono County, the youth was injured in a fall over a cliff.

MERCY FLIGHT

The boy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Gillespie, same address, took him to a local hospital and later decided to fly him to a hospital here.

Chartering a plane for the flight, the parents engaged a physician, Dr. H. G. Crockett, of Bridgeport, to attend the boy during the flight. The parents then, because the plane was overcrowded, decided to drive here.

Physicians knew only the last name of the youth and

the parents.

En route to the Torrance airport the youth died.

Arraign Two in Knife Death

Admitting killing a 61-year old Lomita woman, two brothers were arraigned Monday on charges of murder and robbery. The woman was slain when she surprised the two as they attempted to steal one of her husband's guns.

The woman was Mrs. Nellie B. Bennett of 2012 Garner St., who died of stab wounds which were inflicted Saturday.

George Richard McIntire, 20, and his brother, Larry Gene, 18, both of Oxnard, admitted killing Mrs. Bennett, Sheriff's homicide investigators said.

\$1,380,000 FACILITY ...

Lomita Hospital Selects Physician as Staff Head

Dr. Merle H. Boyce, well known Redondo Beach physician and surgeon, has been elected chief of staff for the Bay Harbor Osteopathic Hospital for the coming year. Dr. Boyce succeeds Dr. George R. Wall, of San Pedro, who served as the chief of staff for the \$1,384,000, 50-bed hospital which was opened June 15, 1960, at 1437 Lomita Boulevard in Lomita.

A graduate of the Osteopathic College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1955, Dr. Boyce took premedical work at Compton College and at the University of California and completed his internship at Monte Sano Hospital.

He grew up in the Wilmington area and is the son of Mrs. Elma Boyce of 1317 Island Avenue, Wilmington. Since establishing his offices at 1615 Pacific Coast Highway in Redondo Beach in 1956 he has been active in civic work in the Redondo Beach area, serving on the Board of directors of the South Bay YMCA and was nominated as Man of the Year in Redondo Beach in 1958. He has also served as a member of the board of directors of the Bay Harbor Osteo-



DR. MERLE BOYCE
... Hospital Head



THIRD TORRANCE LOCATION—Vel's Ford, recognized as one of the Torrance area's outstanding automobile agencies, this week announced it had established its third location in this city. New plant is located at 1600 Cabrillo Ave. Owner

Vel Milletich reports that the new location will house an outstanding collection of Fords, Falcons and Thunderbirds, as well as a completely equipped service department.